Cancer Incidence: Newly Diagnosed Cases per Year

The rates for the five most commonly diagnosed cancers in Windham County are similar to the Vermont rates.

	Rate per 100,000 People	
	Windham	Vermont
Males		
All Sites*	526.1	533.2
Prostate*	112.4	134.7
Lung and Bronchus*	73.2	77.6
Colon and Rectum*	47.7	43.6
Bladder*	41.2	40.1
Melanoma of the Skin*	35.4	35.6
Females		
All Sites*	424.9	442.7
Breast*	133.4	129.2
Lung and Bronchus*	48.6	64.3
Colon and Rectum*	34.1 36.1	
Uterus*	33.2 30.9	
Ovary*	18.9	11.7

Data Source: VCR, 2007-2011

Note: Excludes basal cell and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ carcinomas, except urinary bladder.

Cancer Diagnosis: Advanced Stage^D

Windham County has a higher rate of advanced stage diagnosis for breast cancer, compared to Vermont overall.

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	Rate per 100,000 People		
	Windham	Vermont	Goal Type ^G
Breast* (Females, Ages 50+)	153.3	97.3	SCP
Colorectal* (Males and Females, Ages 50+)	80.6	62.7	SCP
Cervical* (Females, Ages 20+)		2.0	SCP

Data Source: VCR, 2007-2011

Cancer Mortality: Deaths Due to Cancer

The cancer death rate in Windham County is similar to the Vermont rate.

	Rate per 100,000 People		
	Windham	Vermont	Goal Type ^G
Overall Cancer Deaths*	178.0	178.2	HV

Data Source: Vital Statistics, 2007-2011

Cancer Survivors (Prevalence)^D: Ever Diagnosed with Cancer

There are approximately 2,700 adult cancer survivors living in Windham County, and the prevalence rate is similar to Vermont overall.

	Percent		
	Windham	Vermont	
Cancer Survivors (Adults) ^D	8	7	

Data Source: BRFSS. County Years: 2012-2013; Statewide Year: 2013

Note: Cancer prevalence excludes those whose only cancer was a skin cancer.

Cancer Screening

The Windham County colorectal cancer screening rate is worse than Vermont overall. Other screening rates are similar.

	Percent		
	Windham	Vermont	Goal Type ^G
Breast Cancer Screening (Females, Ages 50-74)*D	84	82	HV, SCP
Cervical Cancer Screening (Females, Ages 21-65)*D	91	87	HV, SCP
Colorectal Cancer Screening (Males and Females, Ages 50-75)*D	62	72	HV, SCP

Data Source: BRFSS, 2012

Cancer Related Risk Factors and Preventative Behaviors

Cancer related risk behavior rates in Windham County are similar to Vermont overall.

	Perd	Percent	
	Windham	Vermont	Goal Type ^G
Smoke Cigarettes, Currently (Adults)*	17	18	HV
Obesity (Ages 20+)*D	24	25	HV
2+ Daily Fruit Servings (Adults)*	34	35	HV
3+ Daily Vegetable Servings (Adults)*	19	18	HV
Met Aerobic Physical Activity Guideline (Adults)*	60	59	HV
One or More Sunburns, Past 12 Months (Adults)	32	35	SCP
Tanning, Past 12 Months (Youth, Grades 9-12)	9	10	SCP

Data Source: BRFSS; Smoking and Obesity County Years: 2012-2013; Smoking and Obesity Statewide Year: 2013; Fruit and Vegetable, Physical Activity County Years: 2011, 2013; Fruit and Vegetable, Physical Activity Statewide Year: 2013; Sunburn County and Statewide Year: 2013; Youth Tanning County and Statewide Year: 2011.

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Technical Notes

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-- Indicates numbers are too small to report.

*Age adjusted to U.S. 2000 population.

Data Sources:

BRFSS: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

VCR: Vermont Cancer Registry

YRBS: Youth Risk Behavior Survey

Vitals: Vermont Vital Statistics

Definitions:

- Advanced Stage: Includes regional and distant (SEER Summary Stage).
- Cancer Survivor (Prevalence): A person is considered a cancer survivor (also referred to as cancer prevalence), if they have ever been diagnosed with non-skin cancer, from the time of diagnosis through the rest of their life.
- Breast Cancer Screening: Women aged 50-74 who have had a mammogram in the past two years.
- Cervical Cancer Screening: Women aged 21-65 who have had a Pap test in the past three years.
- Colorectal Cancer Screening: Men and women aged 50-75 who have had any one of the following:
 - o A fecal occult blood test (FOBT) in the past year,
 - A sigmoidoscopy in the past five years AND a FOBT in the past three years, or
 - A colonoscopy in the past ten years.
- Obesity: Having a body mass index equal to or greater than 30 kg/m².

^GGoal Type:

- SCP: State Cancer Plan, 2015
- HV: Healthy Vermonters 2020

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Many people have either had cancer themselves or know someone who has. In 2013, there were approximately 38,000 adult cancer survivors in Vermont. Among Vermonters, cancer is the leading cause of death. Each year, approximately 3,600 people are diagnosed and more than 1,300 people die from cancer. The Vermont Department of Health is working in collaboration with Vermonters Taking Action Against Cancer (VTAAC) to reduce the impact of cancer on individuals, families, and communities in Vermont.

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